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NOTE VERBALE DATED 1 MARCH 1993 FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 4 of Security Council resolution 781 (1992), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) regarding apparent violations of the ban on military flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 25 and 28 February 1993, there appear to have been three flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 781 (1992) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 3 of that resolution. Details as to the time and the itinerary of these flights are annexed to the present note.

All confirmed violations were immediately protested by UNPROFOR to the party concerned.

Annex

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(25-28 February 1993)

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed altitude
[25-26 Feb.: no violations reported]					
459	27 Feb.	0544	0655	Two helicopters departed from Tuzla for Srebrenica carrying food supplies. There were five persons on board each aircraft, all armed with AK-47 rifles. The helicopters returned to Tuzla without cargo. It is assessed that the cargo was off-loaded in the Srebrenica area. The two MI-8 helicopters are the same that flew from Lucko to Visoko on 17 February carrying medical supplies. These are also the same aircraft that were observed on the ground at Visoko on 17 February and at Tuzla on 24 February. The area in which the aircraft operated is controlled by Bosnian Muslims.	1. South-east unknown unknown
460					2. North-west unknown unknown
461	27 Feb.	1327	1333	AWACS detected a track 35 nautical miles north-east of Dubrovnik in the vicinity of Gacko. The aircraft was heading south-west, and was tracked for 6 minutes before fading from radar contact 20 nautical miles north-east of Dubrovnik over the town of Bileca. The aircraft was assessed as a probable helicopter and flew in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	South-west 180 knots 1,200 feet
[28 Feb.: no violations reported]					